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SHOOTING

On August 7th, 2011, at approximately 5:20 P.M., the Fort Lauderdale Police Department responded to the 700 block of Northwest 12th Avenue in reference to a possible shooting. Upon arrival, Fort Lauderdale Police Officers located a 12 year old boy who had been shot in the abdomen.

The child was immediately transported to Broward General Medical Center by Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue, where he underwent emergency surgery. Post surgery, the boy was listed in stable condition.

Investigators have learned that several juveniles were in the area of 761 Northwest 12th Terrace, knocking multiple times on an elderly man's apartment door. The elderly man, later identified as James McIvery, 3/29/32, exited his apartment with a small revolver and fired two shots towards the ground in an attempt to scare off the children. One of the rounds struck a 12 year old child in the abdomen.

Detectives were able to make contact with McIvery, who surrendered himself without further incident. McIvery told detectives that the kids were harassing him throughout the day and he had already told the kids multiple times to leave him alone. McIvery said that he finally came out with his revolver in order to scare off the children. McIvery said that he didn't mean to actually shoot the child.

McIvery has been charged with Aggravated Battery with a Firearm. Detectives are urging anyone with further information about the shooting to contact Detective Wood at 954-828-5344.

James McIvery
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